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FIRST YUGOSLAV JET-PROPELLED AIRCRAFT

Comment: The announcement that Yugoslavia had test-flown its first domestically-produced jet-propelled aircraft in late 1952 was given considerable publicity in the Yugoslav press.

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Information on graphics material is appended.

On the basis of plans made by designing engineer Maj Dragoljub Beslin, a Yugoslav aircraft factory has produced the first jet-propelled aircraft to be built in Yugoslavia (1). The aircraft was test-flown in the fall of 1952 by test pilot Capt Tugomir Prebeg (2), of the Yugoslav Army, who verified information disclosed thus far that the aircraft is extremely strong and maneuverable and is comparable in quality and characteristics to the most modern types of jet-propelled aircraft (3). The aircraft is now in the testing stage and is being used as an experimental aircraft to test and verify the accomplishments already achieved in this field of aviation. The results obtained have fulfilled the expectations of the designer and the factory (1).

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1. Zagreb, Borba, 21 Dec 52
2. Ibid, 22 Dec 52
3. Belgrade, Politika, 21 Dec 52

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1. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Yugoslavia's First Jet-Propelled Aircraft."  
Photograph shows side view of aircraft, parked on runway

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Photograph Description Size, 5 3/4 x 3 inches; poor; newsprint

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2. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Yugoslav-Produced Jet-Propelled Aircraft."  
Photograph shows front three-quarter view of aircraft parked on runway

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Photograph Description: Size, 6 1/4 x 2 1/4 inches; poor; newsprint

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3. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Mechanics Prepare Jet-Propelled Aircraft for Flight." Photograph shows front three-quarter view of parked aircraft with several men surrounding it

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Photograph Description Size, 4 x 2 3/4 inches; poor; newsprint

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4. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Test Pilot Tugomir Prebeg, Before the Jet-Propelled Aircraft's First Flight." Photograph shows front three-quarter view of Prebeg in what is probably the cockpit of the aircraft

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5. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "First Yugoslav-Produced Jet-Propelled Aircraft." Photograph shows front view of aircraft in flight

Photograph Description:  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$  inches; poor; newsprint

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6. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: No caption. Photograph shows front view of aircraft in flight

Photograph Description:  $4\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$  inches; poor; newsprint

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7. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Aircraft on Runway Prior to Takeoff." Photograph shows front three-quarter view of aircraft parked on runway

Photograph Description:  $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inches; poor; newsprint

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8. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Test Pilot Capt Tugomir Prebeg." Photograph shows side view of Captain Prebeg

Photograph Description:  $2 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$  inches; poor; newsprint

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9. Location: Yugoslavia

Caption and Description: "Eng Dragoljub Beslin, Designer of First Yugoslav-Produced Jet-Propelled Aircraft." Photograph shows side view of Engineer Beslin

Photograph Description:  $2 \times 3$  inches; poor; newsprint

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